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PARENT-TEACHERS HELP.

Boone County now has twenty-three parent-teachers associations. That is a larger number than any other county in the state, showing that local interest in Boone County's schools is manifest.

The members of these associations take school problems, discuss and solve them. Their interest in the schools is assisting in gradually building schools to a higher plane of efficiency. Their work is accomplishing results unseen to many of the patrons of schools. Child welfare is the first concern of the organization, most of the activities taking up some definite phase of this school problem to solve. These associations are directly interested in the work of these organizations, and it is directly of vital importance, that it brings about interests nearly every child in the county. Their work goes for betterment of the children. Children are one of the first concerns of the nation.

Keeping in touch with the parent-teachers associations keeps parents in touch with their own children to a greater extent. What the children are doing in the schools means much to everybody. The children will be matured tomorrow. The future of tomorrow will be the destiny of other children. It is well to keep in touch with the children on the plane it should be. The parent-teachers associations assist in doing this.

It is now expected that Yap will be reported to a place in public attention more proportionate to its size and population.

Lloyd George wishes to have a meeting of experts before the formal session of the Genoa Conference at London. Poincaré says it would be better to call the meeting at Paris. European politics is largely "A Tale of Two Cities."

RESPONSIBILITY OF POWER.

The United States is placed in the disadvantageous position of the child who inherits a large fortune. The fortune robs a child of the stern discipline which comes from having to face the realities of life; it turns his head.

There is no longer any doubt that the center of the western world has shifted on Europe to America. Europe still occupies the old homestead, but America holds the mortgage. What will she do there as a paragon?

There is a parallel in history which is instructive. When Greece was in her prime she sent out colonies to the Italian peninsula. Then the homeland was devastated by domestic wars and finally fell to the colonies, which in the meantime had grown into the powerful Roman republic. Thus Athenian culture became a man's spoil. Rome had the alternative either carrying on the beautiful civilization of Greece or of using the new wealth for selfish ends. She chose the latter. The empire of the Caesars met the way of Greece.

The lesson for America needs no reinforcement. She has at her feet potential vassalage greater, even in proportion, than was afforded Rome in all her glory. Shall she employ her might for her own special ends, or shall she use it to uplift the remainder of the world?

She can exert moral as well as physical influence. Surely the only course of action open to her is to go forth along the seas and highways, one hand bearing a

torch and the other outstretched in friendship.

"Millions for defense but not one cent for war debts," seems to be the slogan of some of the European nations.

THE COMMERCIAL CLUB.

The Columbia Commercial Club has announced a campaign for greater membership with the view of enlarging the scope of its work. It should number in its membership representatives of the city business men, of the University faculty, of the women of Columbia, and of the surrounding rural districts.

The Commercial Club should be a clearing house for promoting and carrying out all sorts of ideas of civic betterment. It has done much in a small way in the past, but it should double or triple its present membership of 200 if it is to realize its fullest opportunities. This increased membership should come not from the business men of Columbia alone, but should include representatives from all of the four groups named.

The budget for the Columbia Commercial Club in the past has not exceeded \$5,000 annually. Compare this amount with the \$10,000 yearly budget of the chamber of commerce of Maryland with a population less than half that of Columbia, or with the \$18,000 budget of the commercial club of Hannibal whose population is less than twice that of Columbia.

The Commercial Club here plans to make the membership fee within the means of all those whom its activities seek to serve. If all who come within this category take advantage of the opportunity for membership, the organization will be unlimited in its activities.

NEWS OF THE STATE

Suit was instituted in the Supreme Court Friday by L. C. Gabbert, St. Joseph, involving an attorney's fee of \$25,000 in which United States Senator James A. Reed and his law partner, J. C. I. Harvey are made parties.

Bids have been asked for three road projects in Nodaway County. The rate limit is March 9.

Commercial lighting rates in Trenton have been cut from 15 cents per kilowatt hour to 12 1/2 cents by a recent action of the Public Service Commission. The new rate will mean a saving of approximately \$15,000 in the next year to Trenton users of electricity.

Greenridge evinced much interest in the proposed St. Louis-Kansas City capital highway in a meeting held Friday to solicit local support. Extensive improvements in road conditions near Greenridge are contemplated.

The Southwestern Bell Telephone Company has started \$30,000 improvements in its Kirksville plant which will enable the company to accommodate 600 additional subscribers.

Contracts for seven blocks of concrete paving have just been awarded by the Springfield City Council. Carriage has also awarded a \$16,000 contract for paving to be completed in August.

Mrs. J. M. Patterson, journalist of Marshall, celebrated her eightieth birthday Friday. She has been on the editorial staff of the Democrat-News for forty-five years.

OPEN COLUMN

A Statement.

Editor the Missouriian: On the Saturday evening following the presentation of "The Ninth Decade," certain parts of that play were put on at the Assembly at the Tavern by members of the cast. When Assembly closed at 11:30, the members of the cast were having a pleasant time and went to the Phi Kappa Alpha house, where they again put on some of the stunts.

After 12 o'clock they were still enjoying the evening and went to the Phi Delta Theta house to prolong their enjoyment. Mrs. Smith, the chaperon, had been at the Phi Delta Theta house but returned after about four of the guests had arrived at the house. They stayed at the Phi Delta Theta house until 1:30.

It was a violation of student government rules for women students to be out later than 12:15 on Saturday night. The women concerned in this late party were called before the council, and a recommendation was made that they be suspended for three days as a punishment for their violation of student government rules. This was approved by the faculty committee and the president, and the young women were suspended. It was not the belief of the Women's Council that there was anything vicious connected with the party, but it was felt that students had no right to flagrantly violate the rules; therefore, the punishment.

EVA JOHNSON, Adviser of Women.

MARY HOUK, President of University Women.

Engineers Conduct Bible Class.

Students from the School of Engineering conducted the University Men's Bible Class yesterday morning at the Broadway Methodist Church. W. R. Anderson, Chas. E. Williams, V. B. Saville and Paul Howard spoke.

## A SONG OR TWO

The magic and mystery of the butterfly emerging from the sordid cocoon is no more wonderful than that of the brilliant spring flowers which come from bulbs.

The New York Times for February 12 has a poem which expresses this sentiment in exquisite verse:

By Louise Driscoll

Safe in the earth they lie, serenely waiting;

They never speak to north winds or to snow,

Perfume and color in the dark creating.

Fit for the sunlit world that they will know.

I held them in my hand, small balls of ivory,

Purple and rosy and brown.

I broke the soft dark earth to fold them under,

And pressed the yielding soil to hold them down.

I know that in their hearts the rainbow lingers,

Waiting until it hears a song it knows.

Oh, strange, to hold a rainbow in my fingers!

It lies there waiting for the melting snows.

And long before I hear the bluebird singing

Truth will be stirring in my garden beds.

And oh, it will be early that I'll find there

Small, green hooded heads!

The little brown song sparrow that comes dazing

To pour his heart out on an empty bough,

Will linger in my garden to be sharing

The seven colors that are sleeping now.

IN FORMER DAYS

Five Years Ago.

Boone County spent \$198,000 in the last six months. The balance in the Treasury was \$83,393.

Graduates of Missouri and Kansas universities organized a mounted battery of artillery in Kansas City.

Columbia merchants gained some good results from their pay-week campaign.

Three hundred women cried that they were starving and that they wanted bread.

It was thought that Maj.-Gen. Pershing would succeed General Funston in command of the troops then in the south and Mexico.

A desire for a non-political, non-denominational committee to investigate all candidates for office in the city was voiced by a number of citizens.

The Gardner Prison Reform Bill was passed by the House. It provided that all state printing should be done by convict labor.

The W. C. T. U. destroyed a gallon and a pint of whisky by pouring it down the sink at the Christian Church. While performing this action the members sang "Old John Barleycorn Must Go." The whisky had been evidence in a trial here.

Ten Years Ago.

There were 140 boys and 103 girl babies born in Columbia in 1911.

The freshmen of the University defeated the sophomores 34 to 48 in a track meet.

About three hundred persons were expected to attend the banquet given by the Commercial Club.

The W. C. T. U. organized a campaign against cigarettes and picture shows.

Item—"Just because the ordinary woman drinks ninety thousand ice cream sodas in her lifetime is no reason why she should go home at night and fall over the Morris chair and the cat; or hang her hat on the chandelier in the key hole."

Twenty-five Years Ago.

There was another gold rush to Alaska.

The Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight was to take place in Carson City, Nevada.

A 16-year-old boy was hung in Clayton, Missouri.

The mayor of Columbia prohibited a prize fight scheduled to take place here, and the money was refunded to ticket holders.

A record train run was made when a special ran the distance of 1,026 miles, from Chicago to Denver, in eighteen hours and fifty-two minutes.

Wheat sold for 83.25 cents. Failures in the corresponding week were 303 in the United States and 58 in Canada, against 280 in the United States and 66 in Canada the previous year.

A young woman in Richmond, Virginia, tells that when she received her first masculine kiss she "felt as if something was running down her nerves on feet of diamonds, escorted by several little cupids in chariots drawn by angels shaded by honeyuckle, and canopied by melted rainbows." When?

Fifty Years Ago.

The House of Representatives passed a bill admitting tea and coffee duty free.

The Hon. J. S. Rollins was chosen by the Labor Reform Convention in St. Louis as delegate to the national convention of the organization.

In order to facilitate the delivery of mail, and because so many new post offices were being established, the public was asked to put the name of the county on all addresses.

A western paper announced the ill-

ness of its editor and added, "All good, paying subscribers are requested to mention them (the editor) in their prayers. The others need not, as this prayer for the wicked avail nothing."

One Hundred Years Ago.

Exports from the United States exceeded the imports by \$2,400,000.

A Pike County man went to St. Louis and there was forced to pay double and sometimes triple for all his supplies and on top of this the merchants would take his money only at a discount. He was quite enraged.

GUN USED BY FAMILY

THREE GENERATIONS

SERVED IN TWO WARS

Few relics of the Revolutionary War remain, yet the State Historical Society of Missouri has in its possession a gun which was used in both the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812, and also served to protect the earlier settlers from the Indians and wild animals on the frontier.

The gun is a curious relic of days gone by, being of the old muzzle model with a loading measuring 59 inches and a barrel 43 inches long. It has the same lock, stock, and barrel as that except that the old flint lock and lead have been removed and a cap hammer tube and cylinder cap have been put on in order that percussion caps may be used. On the stock is a tallow and patch box which was used to grease the balls when they were loaded into the gun. The stock shows its wear, but considering its age and service it is well preserved.

The gun was presented to the Society by J. P. Hainey whose great-grandfather used it in the Battle of Bunker Hill. When the British defeated the continentalists, the owner of the gun was captured, but was later exchanged, in the exchange of prisoners, and his gun was exchanged with him.

When the war closed, he gave the gun to his son the grandfather of the present Mr. Hainey, James Hainey, who soon after migrated to Pulaski County, Kentucky which was just beginning to be opened up by the settlers. Here on the frontier the gun was used to protect the settlers against the Indians and the wild animals. When the war of 1812 broke out, James Hainey enlisted and fought in the Battle of New Orleans, using the same old gun.

At his death, the gun became the property of his youngest son, J. F. Hainey, who was the father of the present Mr. Hainey.

Christian School on Standard List.

Christian School, located south of Ashland and taught by Mrs. John Boyd of Mexico, was placed last week on the standard list. The certificate of approval from Sam Baker, state superintendent of schools, has been received. Patrons visited the school Tuesday to celebrate the event.

## MARKER NEAR GOLF LINKS SHOWS CHANGE OF COMPASS NEEDLE

Just as often as couples or parties journey out to Lover's Leap to watch the sun rise, or the shadows lengthen and gradually envelope the distant hills from that romantic look-out point, just as often do persons inquire and speculate about an official and interesting marker on the hillside mid-way between two wire fences, in the pasture just beyond the golf links. It has been an inspiration for conversation for many a tongue-tied engineer.

On the top of this marker are these words: "Magnetic Station. Write Superintendent, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, Washington, D. C." This marker, according to W. S. Williams, professor of topographic engineering in the University, was located in 1914 by the Coast Geodetic Survey, and is a point at which observations on the declination of the compass needle are made from true north.

This one is a repeat station. The surveyors will return in about ten years to determine the change in the magnetic field as indicated in the change in declination of the needle that will be noticed at that time. There is one of these stations in nearly every county seat. It is to avoid any kind of distraction that this one is placed so exactly between two wire fences.

From information gathered by observations made at these stations, and using them as locations, the data for constructing surveyors' maps are gained. This information is compiled concerning the size and curvature, or shape, of the earth. "Geodetic, you know," says Professor Williams, "means earth surveying."

UNIVERSITY NEWS

Paul Owen visited over Sunday at his home in Kansas City.

W. J. Pollard spent the week-end with his parents in Kansas City.

John W. Kohl spent the week-end at his home in Kansas City.

William E. Roland spent the week-end at his home in Hannibal.

Helen E. Heizer is visiting at her home in Mexico.

Miss Eleanor Long has been visiting at her home in St. Joseph.

Miss Mary Worrell is visiting in Mexico.

Miss Kathryn Campbell went to Mexico to visit Miss Helen Wilkins.

Miss Ruth Levin has been visiting at her home in St. Joseph.

Frank E. Doyle spent the week-end at his home in Marceline.

Miss Joy Johannes has been visiting her sister, Miss Fay Johannes, in Kansas City.

Mrs. W. W. Barnes and her daughter, Velma, left Columbia for their home in Paris, Mo. Miss Barnes was unable to

continue her University work on account of her health.

Harry Moore went to Boonville for the week-end.

Joe Rose, 1203 East Broadway, went to Jefferson City Saturday to spend the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Root returned to their home in Kansas City after visiting their daughter, Miss Orville Root.

H. Wagner and Edwin Bockrath, 505 Conley avenue, went to St. Louis Saturday to spend the week-end.

R. L. Waddell of the agricultural extension service has been attending a meeting of the Howard Live Stock Breeders' Association at Fayette.

Miss Lena Jenkins of the agricultural extension service has gone to Palmyra to work with the county agent there.

Mrs. E. A. Jones and daughter, Helen, left Columbia Friday for their home in Hallsville. Miss Jones recently underwent an operation at Parker Memorial Hospital.

Frank Chambers, University registrar, went to Boonville Saturday on business.

Miss Dorothy Kaucher left Saturday for her home in St. Joseph. She will go to Kansas City before returning to Columbia.

Five Boonville High School girls were up for the basketball game played Saturday night between Boonville High School and University High School.

They were: Miss Hallie Quick, Miss Katharine Biggs, Miss Virginia Rogers, Miss Elsie Muntzel and Miss Edna Ginn.

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Merely check the numbers of the five you would best like to hear. Then, please place your ballot in an envelope and mail to Secretary, Debating Board, 1517 Rosemary Lane, Columbia.

DO IT NOW—It is the intention of the Board to bring

The Five Highest Here Next Season

1. Alb. J. Beveridge—Ex. U. S. Senator.

2. Dr. S. Parks Cadman—Preacher, Lecturer.

3. Hamlin Garland—Short Story Writer.

4. Admiral Carey T. Grayson—Physician to ex-President Wilson.

5. Ring Lardner—Humorist.

6. Stephen Leacock—Humorist.

7. Edwin Markham—Poet.

8. Kathleen Norris—Author of "Mother."

9. Ruth Bryan Owen—Daughter of the great Commoner.

10. Col. Reppington—Authority on Russia.

11. Vilhjalmur Stefansson—Explorer.

12. Mark Sullivan—Former Editor of Colliers.

13. Ida M. Tarbell—Publicist.

14. Frank Vanderlip—New York Banker.

15. Woodrow Wilson—Ex-President.

16. Rabbi Stephen Wise—Preacher, Lecturer.

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